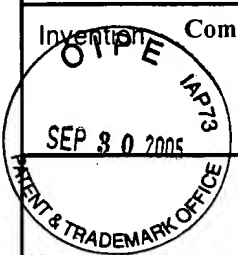


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Compressible Hearing Aid

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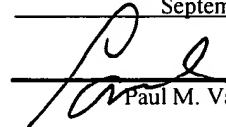
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to a non-final Office Action mailed July 13, 2005.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: